

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TOURISM AND CULTURE
LOK SABHA**

STARRED QUESTION NO:545
ANSWERED ON:30.08.2001
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO SPECIAL TOURISM AREA
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

- (a) the financial assistance provided for each place identified as Special Tourism Area (S.T.A.) in the country, so far; and
(b) the progress of Tourism Development made in each area State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI ANANTHKUMAR)

(a) and (b) : A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT IN RESPECT OF (a) and (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 545 ANSWERED ON 30.08.
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(a) : The Department of Tourism, Government of India in consultation with the State Governments/UT Administrations has identified five Special tourism Areas namely Bekal in Kerala, Sindhudurg in Maharashtra, Mamallapuram in Tamil Nadu, Puri in Orissa and Diu in Daman & Diu. Central financial assistance sanctioned to different projects so far for development of these areas is as follows: -

(Rs. in lakhs)

State/UT Special Tourism Area Amount Sancd.

Kerala Bekal	190.00
Maharashtra Sindhudurg	302.70
Tamil Nadu Mamallapuram	78.73
Orissa Puri	167.21
Daman & Diu Diu	41.07

Total 779.71

(b) : Except Bekal in Kerala and Sindhudurg in Maharashtra no significant progress has been made in other three areas. Deptt. of Tourism, Govt. of India has asked the concerned States to prepare Master Plans/Project Reports, take steps for acquisition of land and expedite implementation of the Special Tourism Area.